

## House Resolution 386

By: Representatives Golick of the 34<sup>th</sup>, Richardson of the 19<sup>th</sup>, Tumlin of the 38<sup>th</sup>, and Crawford of the 16<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing Georgia State University College of Law student Cliff Williams.
- 2 WHEREAS, Cliff is currently a third year law student at Georgia University College of Law;  
3 and
- 4 WHEREAS, Cliff worked as an intern with the Georgia Innocence Project, which is an  
5 organization founded in 2002 by two Georgia State University College of Law alumni; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Cliff led the effort to free wrongfully imprisoned Pete Williams, who was  
7 incarcerated for nearly 22 years; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Cliff spent months researching and exchanging letters with Mr. Williams and  
9 ultimately found the evidence used at trial that ultimately exonerated Mr. Williams; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Cliff persuaded the judge to order DNA tests and anxiously awaited the results  
11 that came two months later, which concluded that Mr. Williams's DNA did not match the  
12 DNA found at the crime scene; and
- 13 WHEREAS, upon graduation, Cliff is interested in pursuing a career in criminal defense,  
14 beginning in a public defender's office in Georgia.
- 15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
16 the members of this body recognize Cliff Williams for his dedication and devotion to justice.
- 17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
18 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Cliff Williams.